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In re application of: Richard Smalley *et al.*

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Title: CARBON FIBERS FORMED FROM SINGLE-WALL CARBON NANOTUBES

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT ACCOMPANYING REQUEST FOR FILING A  
DIVISIONAL APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b)**

Sir:

This Preliminary Amendment accompanies a Request for Filing a Divisional Application of US Application No. 09/380,545 under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b) and associated filing fee therefor ("the Request").

**AMENDMENTS**

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the application as follows:

Amendment to the Title is reflected on page 2 of this paper.

Amendment to the Specification is reflected on page 3 of this paper.

Amendment to the Abstract is reflected on page 4 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 5 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.

**Amendment to the Title:**

Please amend the title by replacing the present title with the following:

METHOD FOR FORMING AN ARRAY OF SINGLE-WALL CARBON NANOTUBES IN  
AN ELECTRIC FIELD AND COMPOSITIONS THEREOF